3   generator generating guided frame to carry control information within the network processor or

4   between the network processor and the control point processor subsystem.

Claim 40

1   The system of Claim 38 further including a MAC that generates ethernet fields and encapsulating

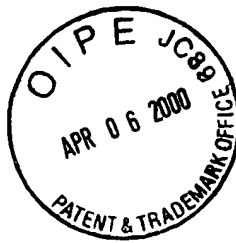2   the guided frame.

Claim 41

1   The system of Claim 38 wherein the first function generator includes a software driver.

Claim 42

1   A computer program product comprising:

2   a recording medium on which a computer program is recorded, said computer program

3   including a first module containing code that generates a guided frame; and

4   a second module containing code that forwards the guided cell.

REMARKS

The preliminary amendment corrects minor errors in the specification. It also adds Claims 14-42 which are based upon the original disclosure. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is also submitted herewith.
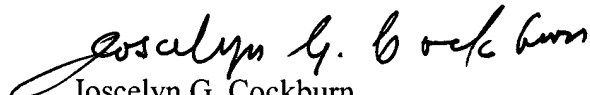
Changes were also made to Figs 1, 3, 12a and 13. Prints with changes marked in red are submitted herewith. Pending approval of the examiner, Applicants request the amended drawings be sent to the draftsperson.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment prior to examining the application.

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